

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Hoonah****Project Title:**

Hoonah - Alaska Native Brotherhood Hall Renovation

State Funding Requested: \$ 60,000**House District: 5 - C**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

The Hoonah ANB Hall needs several improvements to make it safe for patrons to use. The funding will improve the fire escapes, bathrooms, and the kitchen.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$60,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

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The necessary renovations that need to be made to the Hoonah ANB Hall are to make improvements to the restrooms to make them useable again, improve the fire escapes, and add fire extinguishers to bring the building up to fire code. All of these projects will improve the safety of the people using the hall.

Project Timeline:

Funding will be secured in the summer of 2008 with construction beginning immediately.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

City of Hoonah

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



*Grand Camp
Alaska Native Brotherhood*

March 20, 2008

Senator Albert Kookesh
Representative Bill Thomas
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Senator Kookesh and Representative Thomas,

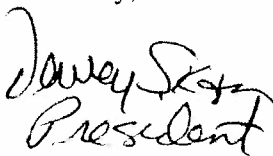
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The ANB Hall in Hoonah is in severe disrepair. There are multiple safety hazards in this building that must be acknowledged and fixed. This building is not up to fire code as it lacks fire escapes. Fire escapes must be added to ensure the safety of these citizens. The furnace in this building is old a faulty and must be replaced. New toilets must be installed as the current ones are often out of order. The buildings entryway is visibly falling apart and is in dire need of repair.

As you can see this building is too important to this community and needs your support to help these improvements become a reality.

Sincerely,


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